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TAGS: OREP (BROOKE, EDWARD W.)

SUBJECT: TRAVEL OF SENATOR BROOKE

REF: STATE 285074

1. THE EMBASSY IS AWARE OF THE PRIVATE NATURE OF THE SENATOR'S STAY IN LONDON. HOWEVER, WE HAVE BEEN APPROACHED BY THE BRITISH-AMERICAN PARLIAMENTARY GROUP (BAPG) TO CONVEY TO SENATOR BROOKE AN INVITATION TO BE GUEST OF HONOR AT THE BAPG'S ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING AND LUNCHEON ON DECEMBER 9. THE BAPG WAS FORMED DURING WORLD WAR II TO PROMOTE CLOSER RELATIONS AND BETTER UNDERSTANDING BETWEEN BRITISH AND AMERICAN PARLIAMENTARIANS. ITS MEMBERSHIP CONSISTS EXCLUSIVELY OF MEMBERS OF THE COMMONS AND THE LORDS. THE SPEAKER OF THE HOUSE OF COMMONS WILL PRESIDE OVER THE DECEMBER 9 MEETING AND, SHOULD HE ACCEPT THE INVITATION, SENATOR BROOKE WOULD BE EXPECTED TO SPEAK FOR ABOUT 20 MINUTES ON A SUBJECT OF HIS CHOOSING. THE EMBASSY STRONGLY ENCOURAGES THE SENATOR TO ACCEPT THIS INVITATION IF HIS SCHEDULE PERMITS.

2. GIVEN THE TIMING OF THE MEETING IT WOULD BE HELPFUL IF THE SENATOR COULD SEND HIS REPLY BY NOVEMBER 30.

3. ADMINISTRATIVE MATTERS: RESERVATIONS ARE CONFIRMED FOR SENATOR BROOKE AT THE INN ON THE PARK FROM DECEMBER 8. OUTLOOK IS HOPEFUL FOR FIRING UP RESERVATION FOR DECEMBER

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7. WILL CONFIRM IN SUBSEQUENT MESSAGE.

4. MR. ROSSITER IS CONFIRMED AT BRITANNIA. RICHARD BURT OF INTERNATIONAL INSTITUTE FOR STRATEGIC STUDIES HOPES MR. ROSSITER WILL BE AVAILABLE FOR DINNER ON DECEMBER 7, 8 OR 9 AS HE WILL BE IN GERMANY FROM DECEMBER 10.

5. THE SENATOR AND MR. ROSSITER WILL BE MET BY WILLIAM ITOH OF THE CONSULAR SECTION.

6. CONTROL OFFICER IS LEWIS COHEN OF THE FINANCIAL ATTACHE'S OFFICE, EMBASSY, ROOM 222, EXTENSION 448.

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